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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: USE OF BNP DURING STRESS TESTING  
FOR THE DETECTION AND RISK  
STRATIFICATION OF INDIVIDUALS WITH  
SUSPECTED CORONARY ARTERY  
DISEASE

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Examiner: C. M. Borgeest

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated November 6, 2006, please consider the above-identified U.S. patent application in light of the arguments contained herein:

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.